the Ministry from the unemployed youth, State-wise; and

(d) out of them total applications sanctioned/rejected by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAIL- WAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) and (b) The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) has been implemented by the Ministry of Urban Affairs and Employment from 1.12.1997 with the objective of rationalising the earlier three urban poverty alleviation programmes, namely, Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY), Urban Basic Services for the Poor (UBSP) and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradiction Programme (PMIUPEP).

The SJSRY consists of two sub- schemes, *viz.*, (i) USEP (Urban Self Employment Programme) and (ii) UWEP (Urban wage-Employment Programme). The Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP) encourages under-employed and unemployed urban youth to set up micro-enterprises relating to servicing, small business and manufacturing for which there is a lot of potential in urban areas. Local skills and local crafts are encourages for this purpose.

(c) and (d) Information regarding the number of applications received from the unemployed youth by the Ministry and the number of applications sanctioned/rejected by the Government is not available with the Planning Commission.

Determining of Per capita Annual Income

2611. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the methodologies adopted to determine per capita annual income for rural and urban population in developed and developing countries, China in partcular; and

(b) the reasons for Government not adopting the same methodologies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) and (b) Most countries compile the estimates of per capita income by regions/provience rather than for the rural and urban population. In India, however, the estimates of rural and urban income are prepared in terms of the net domestc product of various economic activities on the basis of the corresponding number of workers and value added per worker separately for rural and urban areas. The estimates of per capita income are obtained by dividing the rural/urban income by the corresponding mid year population.

A few countries, including China, are preparing the estimates of per capita income of rural and urban households based on the information collected through household income surveys. In India, however, it has not been found feasible to collect reliable information on income through household surveys.

Ninth Five Year Plan Formula for North-East States

2612. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Planning Commission has formulated the Ninth Five Year Plan of the North East States based on traditional resources based formula instead of giving emphasis on infrastructure development; and

(b) if so, how the infrastructure development of North East States where they are now below the National average income could be brought up at least at the national average?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a)

and (b) The Planning Commission has formulated the Ninth Plan of all States including North East States based on not only the resource based formula but also with due emphasis on infrastructure development. This is to be achieved by various measures which inter-alia include the following:

(i) Creating supportive measure for the development of infrastructure—both physical & social and rapid enhancement of sustainable employment to enable the States of North East Region to joint the mainstream of economic development of the country;

(ii) Setting up of a High Level Commission (HLC) to suggest measures for the development of various Sectors including infrastructure in each State of the North East.

(iii) Creating a Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources for funding specific projects in the North East Region.

The details regarding the above are already given in the Ninth Plan document approved by the National Development Council.

Declining Trend in Investment

2613. SHRI SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of Plan fund allocated to agriculture, rural development during the last five years;

(b) whether Government have so far been able to arrest the declining trends in investment in these sectors;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to ensure that Plan funds allocated to these sectors are not diverted to other sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) Year wise percentage of allocation of plan funds under State Plans and Central Sector is as under:

Year	Agriculture& allied activities	Rural Development
1993-94	5.4	7.0
1994-95	5.3	8.6
1995-96	5.2	9.1
1996-97	4.8	9.9
1997-98	4.5	9.2

(b) to (d) Allocations of increased plan funds are made to Agriculture and Rural Development programmes in the state Plans and Central Sector. While States are given flexibility for allocation of funds among different sectors, Central Sector funds are provided on the basis of utilisation under various plan programmes for Agriculture and Rural Development. Additionally, funds are also available under programmes for irrigation, which directly boost the investment in rural economy. The Ninth Plan envisages provision of Rural Infrastructure Development Funds and revamping of cooperative institutions to encourage and enhance investment in Agriculture.

कार्य दल में निजी क्षेत्र का प्रतिनिधित्व

2614. **श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार द्वारा रोजगार के संबंध में किसी कार्य दल का गठन किया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि इस कार्य दल में निजी क्षेत्र से एक भी प्रतिनिधि को शामिल नहीं किया गया है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री, संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा योजना और कार्यक्रम क्रियान्वयन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम नायक): (क) जी, हां, योजना आयोग द्वारा रोजगार अवसरों संबंधी एक कार्यदल का गठन किया गया है;

(ख) जी नहीं, इस कार्यदल में निजी सैक्टर के प्रतिनिधि शामिल हैं;

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Outcome of NDC Meeting

2615. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: